

Mississippi Medial Radiation Advisory Council Minutes

May 18, 2016

Members	Absent Members	MSDH Staff
J. Michael Ketchum, R.T.	Dr. Norwood Smith	F. Simkins
Paula Young, R.T.	Dr. David B. Wheat	Y. Morrow
Georgeine M. Conner, R.T.	Joyce Brewer, Ph.D., RN	E. Gunn
Andrew Fisher, ARRT	Veeresh Michael, M.S.	D. Robinson

- 1. Mr. Simkins called the meeting to order. A quorum was not established.
- 2. The minutes from January 30, 2013, and December 2, 2015, meetings were reviewed. The minutes will be submitted for approval and adoption at the next Council meeting.
- 3. Mr. Simkins presented a set of draft bylaws for review with the suggested changes. He requested that review for additional changes and if any were necessary to email them to Ms. Morrow. The bylaws will be submitted for approval and adoption at the next Council meeting.
- 4. Ms. Morrow informed the Council that there are two vacant positions on the Council (the family physician and the nurse practitioner members). Ms. Morrow will contact the nominating entities and request that nominations be submitted by July for the October Board of Health meeting.
- 5. The Council inquired why the following statement was left out of the Exemptions section of the regulations: "a student enrolled in and participating in an accredited course of study for diagnostic radiologic technology, nuclear medicine technology or radiation therapy and is employed by a physician's office, radiology clinic or a licensed hospital in Mississippi and applies ionizing radiation under the specific direction of a licensed practitioner." Mr. Simkins explained that it could have been overlooked or omitted by

accident. Council members questioned the need for a meeting/quorum to correct this issue. Mr. Simkins explained that the Regulations have been approved by the Board of Health and filed with the Secretary of State's Office. Therefore, they will have to go through the amendment/approval process to be changed. He stated that we could draft the changes and poll the council then submit it at the next Board of Health meeting. Council agreed to the process.

- 6. Ms. Morrow explained that the Department received a scope of practice question about students being required to have a limited x-ray machine operator (LXMO) permit to work in the hospital. The Council stated that students are covered under the exemptions in the Regulations and in the statute. However, if a hospital required that the student has an LXMO permit that would be a policy and requirement of the facility and not licensure.
- 7. The next meeting was scheduled for November 2, 2016, at 1:00 p.m.
- 8. Mr. Simkins adjourned the meeting at 1:33 p.m.

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